



GOVERNOR NEWS

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Governors: Our newer governors are settling in very well and have already been supporting important discussions in group meetings and with monitoring. We hope to soon be welcoming Rev Adam Childs to our number. As the incumbent, he will join as an ex-officio governor – ie. there by virtue of his role in the parish.

Wellbeing: Governors continue to reach out regularly to key staff in school to check on their Wellbeing, as we come out of a really difficult period with so many staff and pupil absences impacting on the workload.

Governor Subject Monitoring: With one of the key elements in the OFSTED Inspection Framework being “subject deep dives” the Governors have been really grateful to Mrs. Bone and the staff for welcoming them as part of the school’s subject assessment days – meeting key staff and speaking with children. Each governor is now linked with one or two subjects and will produce reports covering their visits. This will provide evidence of governor engagement, but more importantly show that governors are supporting and understanding the content, delivery and progress of subjects across the curriculum.

Governors have already been into school this term for History, Maths and Science and will sit in on Pupil Progress meetings with staff after half term.

Governors’ Meetings & Visits

27 January 2022 - Resources Committee Meeting

The Resources governors met today for the first time this calendar year. We covered a multitude of items including staff and pupil wellbeing, health and safety, budgets and finance.

The new outdoor learning lessons have been very popular with the children, with all year groups participating in this exciting new opportunity.

Health and Safety is paramount and recent monitoring visits to the Breakfast and After School clubs have confirmed that these environments are as safe as they can be.

COVID continues to be a challenge, both for families and staff. Despite this, the desire for staff to help children learn continues. The COVID catch up fund from the Government has been used to help bring pupils back up the levels where they were expected to be before the pandemic. This has been allocated to provide resources to all year groups.

17 January 2022 - Health and Safety Monitoring

I attended After School Club to undertake a Health & Safety monitoring visit. I am pleased to report that any recommendations and observations, raised in my previous visit, have been implemented/addressed. The visit also gave me the opportunity to talk to staff and children.

After School Club is an integral part of the school wrap around provision, offering a safe environment for our children. As a school, we are very fortunate to have this facility as part of our school family.

10th February 2022 – Year 3 Class Assembly

When I popped into school today I was delighted to be invited into the Hall to see 3C’s class assembly. Mr. Clark and the children spoke about some highlights of their learning. The children clearly enjoyed presenting to an audience that included their parents and children from 3T. The children’s confidence and enthusiasm was very good to see.